

**United States Environmental Protection Agency
Region IX
POLLUTION REPORT**

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Subject: Emergency Response
Advanced Fuel Filtration Emergency Oil Spill and CERCLA Removal
1451 Magnolia, Corona, CA

POLREP No.:	1	Site #:	1259
Reporting Period:	01/05/05	D.O. #:	
Start Date:		Response Authority:	CERCLA/OPA
Mob Date:	1/5/2005	Response Type:	Emergency
Demob Date:		NPL Status:	Non NPL
Completion Date:		Incident Category:	Removal Action
CERCLIS ID #:		Contract #	
RCRIS ID #:		Reimbursable Account #	
FPN#			

Site Description

A 5000 - 20000 gallon spill of Jet A fuel was released from Advance Fuel Filtration, a bankrupt fuel treatment and environmental response company. The fuel migrated from the site during a heavy rain event and into the street to a storm drainage system. This storm drainage system dumps into a flood control channel that feeds into the Santa Ana River and the Prado Basin, a ecologically sensitive environment. It is not known whether material reached the river or basin. This is still being assessed. The site consists of an office building and a yard.

The yard contains approximately 150 drums of hazardous waste. There are also four tanker trucks that held the released product.

The spill was discovered on either January 3 or 4, 2005 by tenants of the an adjacent property. Once notified of the spill the property owner initied a response action.

The spill was not reported to the authorities and the Corona Fire Department (CFD) tracked the spill due to odor complaints.

Agencies initially responding to the spill included: CFD, Riverside Co. Environmental Health (RCEH), Santa Ana Regional Water Quality Control Board, and Corona Public Works. The

agency response began on January 4, 2005.

FOSC Robert Wise was notified of the incident by the California Department of Toxic Substance Control, who referred a request for assistance from RCEH. The FOSC notified the Region 9 Spill Phone Duty Office and responded to the incident on January 5, 2005.

Current Activities

USEPA is provide technical assistance to the RCEH and CFD in the oversight of the responsible party cleanup.

FOSC Robert Wise issued an OPA Notice of Federal Interest and a CERCLA General Notice to the property owner. Notices will be issued to the former business owners, the owners of the tanker trucks and the bankruptcy trustee on 01/06/05.

Planned Removal Actions

The responsible party's (RP) contractor removed all contaminated soil from off-site locations by 2200 hours on 01/05/05 with the exception of soil located on a rail right of way. This soil will be removed on 01/06/05 under the supervision of the railroad. Most of the off-site pooled free product was collected and transferred to Baker Tanks on-site for storage. The soil removed from off-site was stockpiled on-site and secured against rain until disposal can be arranged.

The RP will secure the site against off-site migration due to imminent precipitation expected on 01/06/05, provide a work plan for the assessment of soil contamination in the yard and install boom and sand bags in the off-site storm drainage culverts to prevent migration of contamination into the river or basin.

Key Issues

1. Securing the site against off-site migration
2. Receipt of work plan for soil assessment.
3. Address the disposal of abandoned drums on-site. The lead for this activity will be determined on 01/06/05.

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